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APRIL 26-27, 2014



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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CITY COUNCIL

Ah, spring is here. As the weather warms up and foliage blossoms, there is much to see and do around the City. We encourage you to head out and enjoy life in Lancaster.

We are excited to host our first Los Angeles County Air Show, featuring the remarkable Blue Angels at Fox Field on March 21 and 22. Visit www.lacountyairshow.com for all the details.

April brings us spring flowers and two of our favorite spring happenings – the Egg Hunt Eggstravaganza on April 19 and the ever popular California Poppy Festival on April 26 and 27.

April is also a time when residents have an opportunity to let their voices be heard. Municipal elections will be held April 8, with two City Council seats on the ballot. Be sure to register and vote.

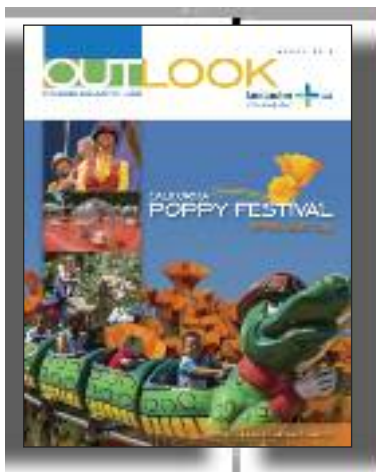
In this issue of the Outlook, we also take a look back at all we've accomplished in the recent past. So many things have made us proud to be a part of this great City, not the least of which is being the only municipality to be named Los Angeles County's Most Business-Friendly City twice!

In other stories, we shed light on new efforts in the solar energy arena and discuss innovative ways we're keeping our streets in shape. We also offer some helpful tips on how to keep your family safe in cyberspace.

Much of this issue is dedicated to the many activities our Parks, Recreation & Arts Department has organized on behalf of every member of your family. Children from tots to teens have a nearly endless array of classes, programs and special events in which to participate. Grown-ups have many choices too. Whether you're a young adult looking to expand your horizons or an active senior wanting to get the most out of those golden years, you'll find there is much to like about living in Lancaster.

So take a few minutes to mull over your choices, then go out, be active and become involved in our community. We'll see you out there.

Your City Council



On the Cover

The California Poppy Festival blooms once again this year at Lancaster City Park the weekend of April 26 & 27. Be among the thousands of visitors and residents enjoying an abundant supply of fun, flowers and festival events. Cover photos by James Stamseck

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Ronald D. Smith, *Council Member*
Ken Mann, *Council Member*
Sandra Johnson, *Council Member*

City Manager

Mark V. Bozigian

Kit Yee Szeto, *Deputy Mayor*
Cassandra Harvey, *Deputy Mayor*

You're Invited to Meetings

Lancaster City Council

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m. Notice of special Council meetings will be posted at City Hall.

Lancaster Architectural and Design Commission

1st Thursday of the month at 5 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Lancaster Criminal Justice Commission

2nd Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Lancaster Human Relations Tapestry Commission

2nd Wednesday every other month at 6 p.m. Next meeting is in March. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Lancaster Neighborhood Vitalization Commission

1st Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Lancaster Planning Commission

3rd Monday of the month at 6 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Agenda review is held on the Monday preceding each month's meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Planning Department Conference Room.

Lancaster Youth Commission

2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. All meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Let Us Hear from You

We welcome your comments.

Contact City Hall at 661-723-6000 Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Hotline Info

Abandoned shopping cart retrieval	800-252-4613
City Special Event hotline	661-723-5900
Job hotline	661-723-5874
Graffiti hotline	661-723-5977
Anonymous crime tip hotline	661-948-COPS (948-2677)

www.cityoflancasterca.org

City Council meeting agendas can be found here. Register online for classes.

www.poppyfestival.com

California Poppy Festival

www.lpac.org

Lancaster Performing Arts Center

www.lancastermoah.org

Lancaster Museum of Art & History

www.destinationlancasterca.org

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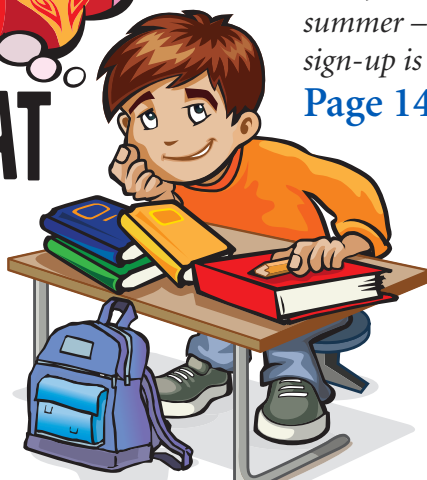
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2013 HIGHLIGHTS

City Demonstrates Leadership Across Many Sectors

THE CITY OF LANCASTER ONCE AGAIN PROVED ITS ABILITY TO SET HIGH STANDARDS AND ACHIEVE MUCH IN 2013. A NUMBER OF INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS ACROSS A WIDE SPECTRUM OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES DELIVERED HIGH QUALITY GOVERNMENT AT LOWER COSTS TO OUR RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND VISITORS.

SUPERIOR SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS

Departments throughout the City have learned to work smarter and achieve more with fewer resources. From the City Clerk to Public Works, staff has streamlined processes and implemented new technologies to create leaner, more efficient and effective operations. Yet service levels and client satisfaction remain high.

City staff continues to do a remarkable job of utilizing outside resources to accomplish the City's objectives. With new partnerships, sponsors, grants and matching funds, the City has been able to achieve many goals which otherwise would not have been possible.

City partners have helped fund many special events, while a number of county, state and federal grants have helped create a more walkable, approachable and enjoyable City.

RENOWNED RELATIONS WITH BUSINESS

Thanks largely to a City-wide initiative which put all departments in sync with our economic development objectives, Lancaster has once again been recognized as LA County's Most Business-Friendly large community.

These aren't just empty words. The City has proven its commitment to creating new jobs and economic vitality again and again. Companies including BYD, City of Hope, Kaiser Permanente and Morton Manufacturing stand as testament to the can-do attitude seen throughout City Hall.

In downtown Lancaster, construction was completed on three commercial complexes consisting of more than 32,000 square feet of space in 2013.

A new business improvement district involving downtown businesses and landowners will help ensure the vitality of The BLVD for years ahead.



OUTSTANDING OPTIONS FOR VISITORS

The City has made it a priority to encourage Antelope Valley tourism. Destination Lancaster, the City's visitor's bureau, is off to a strong start thanks to the formation of a new Tourism Business Improvement District designed specifically to draw more visitors to our community.

Last year also saw the entry of two new hotels to the City's mix of lodging facilities. Marriott's TownePlace Suites and a new Best Western hotel are both scheduled to open in 2014.

Special events continue to draw thousands of visitors to the region. A number of big soccer and softball tournaments provided upwards of \$15 million in positive economic impact. The Streets of Lancaster Grand Prix celebrated its fifth anniversary, while an all new Field of Drafts craft beer festival drew thousands to enjoy fall sunshine and suds.





Education continued to make headlines in 2013 as Antelope Valley Union High School District's SOAR Academy topped the charts with an API score of 945, placing it in the top 1% of all high schools in the nation. Lancaster's University Center also attracted a new institution; California State University Long Beach now offers a bachelor's degree in engineering locally.

Healthcare also found favor in Lancaster with a new cancer center being built by the City of Hope in partnership with Antelope Valley Hospital, a new 136,000-square-foot outpatient facility for Kaiser Permanente members and a major new facility for the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

Volunteerism is the focus of a program developed in cooperation with AmeriCorp's VISTA program. Here in Lancaster, a group of full-time VISTA volunteers is training community members to operate nonprofit organizations more effectively. By helping to coordinate community efforts, educate staff and develop a website where local volunteers can find service opportunities, this program seeks to increase local participation in worthy projects.

All-in-all, it has been a very good year for those of us who call Lancaster our home, our workplace and our playground. The year ahead promises even more!

A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

With more than 40 megawatts of solar generation capabilities currently operational, an additional 200 megawatts under construction and another 33 megawatts under review, Lancaster is well on its way to achieving its goal of becoming a "Net-Zero" city, by generating more clean power than it consumes. Indeed, in April 2013, *The New York Times* pronounced the City of Lancaster the "Solar Energy Capital of the Universe."

The City's groundbreaking mandate to require solar components on all new residential construction has been well received by homebuilders and buyers alike. This initiative has been picked up by press worldwide and helped put Lancaster on the global map.



A YEAR OF NOTED ACHIEVEMENTS

THE CITY OF LANCASTER EARNED MORE THAN ITS SHARE OF ACCOLADES FROM BOTH PEERS AND PRESS IN 2013. AMONG THE MOST NOTABLE:

Most Business-Friendly City Award

Only two-time Eddy Award winner, 2007 and 2013

Presented by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation as LA County's Most Business-Friendly Large City

Pinnacle Award

Presented by the International Downtown Association for The BLVD Transformation Project

Solar Capital of California

Acknowledged by California's Solar Initiative for having the highest per capita solar generating capacity in the state

APWA Best Improvement for Public Safety

Presented by American Public Works Association for the City's Neighborhood Traffic Calming Project

CRRA Outstanding E-Waste Program

Presented by California Resource Recovery Association for the City's innovative 24-Hour Recycling Center

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Finance Reporting

Presented by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada to the City for the 27th consecutive year in recognition of outstanding fiscal reporting



Business Community Steps Front and Center to Promote Lancaster's Growing Appeal

Business improvement districts will raise \$500,000 to market downtown and hospitality sectors

Two groups of local businesses have chosen to assess themselves fees to help fund new marketing efforts to better promote Lancaster both locally and regionally. Downtown, a new business and landowner's improvement district will work to develop special events and promotions aimed at drawing more people to The BLVD, while the City's major hotels have banded together to promote tourism. Each expects to raise more than \$250,000 toward marketing efforts.

"It is heartening to see such enthusiasm and faith shown by our business community regarding the future of Lancaster," noted Assistant to the City Manager Kelvin Tainatongo. "They've stepped forward to show their commitment with these strong investments."

Business improvement districts or BIDs are a funding vehicle often used to supplement municipal services. Under such programs, a majority of the businesses and/or landowners must choose to form a district and assess themselves special fees. These funds are then specifically earmarked for uses which benefit the district as a whole.

In the case of the downtown district, several hundred businesses and apartment complexes contribute to the fund, which helps finance The BLVD Association. One hundred percent of the fees collected go directly to the Association. The City merely collects the funds on its behalf.

The BLVD was recently honored by the International Downtown Association, receiving the prestigious Pinnacle Award for demonstrating excellence in downtown management.

The Tourism Business Improvement District (TBID) involves the major hotels located within the City and helps fund Destination Lancaster activities. The TBID assesses a 2% surcharge on the City's normal transient occupancy tax.

For more information regarding BLVD businesses, visit www.theblvdlancaster.com. For ideas on things to see and do, go to www.destinationlancasterca.org.



Business-Friendly Award Spurs New Ad Campaign

After becoming the only two-time winner of Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation's "Most Business-Friendly" award, the City of Lancaster has understandably chosen to toot its own horn.

A color advertisement recently appeared in the *San Fernando Valley Business Journal's Book of Lists*, which is widely read by commercial real estate professionals.

"Winning this award was a real feather in our cap," said City Manager Mark V. Bozigian. "Winning it twice says volumes about our overall approach and attitude toward economic development. We want to make sure key decision makers understand we're ready to help them build their business."

Morton Manufacturing



Among recent wins, the City has attracted BYD, a global transportation and clean energy leader, to Lancaster where it is building all-electric buses as well as the batteries which power them. Lancaster also persuaded Morton Manufacturing to relocate from Santa Clarita when the company needed additional room in order to expand.

The City earned its first "Eddy Award" in 2007. In 2013, Lancaster once again triumphed over a very strong field of finalists.

For more information about business opportunities available within the City of Lancaster, contact the Economic Development Department at 661-723-6128.

City Partners with US Topco and SolarCity to Build Solar Farm

Four-megawatt facility will provide enough power for more than 550 homes

Once the Antelope Valley was famed for its dry crop farming. Today, our region is harvesting a bountiful new crop – energy from innovative solar farms around the valley.

The most recent example is a new 16-acre facility capable of providing power to upwards of 550 homes. The project, a partnership between the City, US Topco Energy and SolarCity, consists of 14,000 ground-mounted solar panels installed atop vacant City land.

In addition to designing and building the new system, SolarCity, America's top full-service provider of solar energy, will also own and maintain the new facility. The project represents the first phase of an ambitious multi-year strategy developed by US Topco and the Lancaster Power Authority to create some 200 megawatts of sun-powered solutions within City limits.

Southern California Edison will pay SolarCity for the electricity the solar farm generates, which will feed directly into the local utility grid, thus reducing the City's overall carbon footprint.

"US Topco is committed to helping power the world with renewable energy, and the City of Lancaster has done more than any city in the nation toward this goal," said US Topco Chairman Joshua Chang. "We are proud to partner with Lancaster and SolarCity, who both share our passion to provide clean, affordable electricity."

"Thanks to innovative partnerships such as these, the City and the Lancaster Power Authority have been able to advance our solar capabilities at a rapid pace," said Deputy City Manager Jason Caudle. "This project is yet another crucial step toward our goal of becoming America's first truly Net-Zero city."

The new solar project will broaden the positive impact of an effort launched in 2010 with SolarCity. That effort brought solar power to hundreds of homeowners, schools and churches across the City, as well as to City Hall, the Lancaster Performing Arts Center and Lancaster Municipal Stadium.

"We are proud to work with partners like US Topco and the City of Lancaster," said SolarCity CEO Lyndon Rive. "We continue to strive to make affordable clean energy available to more people. Large-scale projects such as this bring us closer to our goal."

Earlier this year, Lancaster became the first city in the nation to require housing developers to install solar energy with every new home built and has been proclaimed California's Solar Capital by Go Solar California, a joint effort of the state Energy Commission and its Public Utilities Commission.



Lancaster Schools Benefit Greatly by Going Solar

A recent analysis of electrical usage among 21 Lancaster School District facilities shows that the district saved nearly \$375,000 on its electric bill since switching over to solar in 2012. Those freed up dollars are now being put to better use educating students.

These remarkable savings were realized despite the fact that Southern California Edison rates have continued to rise throughout the last year. In most schools, the amount of solar energy produced equaled or exceeded the amount of energy these schools consumed in prior years.

The average rate paid by the schools for electricity under the solar power plan was under 16 cents per kilowatt-hour. Under prior rates, the average approached 20 cents per kilowatt-hour.

About \$50,000 of the savings was attributable to operational changes at the district as staff awareness increased and additional conservation efforts were undertaken.

A study of four Eastside Schools showed similar savings of nearly \$46,000 since installation of the solar systems.

In 2012, the Lancaster Power Authority (LPA) partnered with the Lancaster and Eastside school districts to install solar panels at 24 local schools plus the districts' administrative offices. Under the agreements, the LPA provides power to the districts at favorable rates while amortizing costs of installation over the life of the agreement.

"This is a win-win situation," said City Manager Mark V. Bozigan. "The districts save substantially on their energy costs, while we've created new revenue opportunities for the City."

For more information on LPA programs, visit lancasterpower.com.



CALIFORNIA POPPY FESTIVAL™

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Fun in full bloom! City's annual festival returns April 26-27, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The 23rd annual California Poppy Festival is right around the corner. Make plans now to attend this festive, family-friendly event and enjoy an endless array of entertaining shows, informative exhibits and delicious foods from around the world.

LANCASTER CITY PARK | 10th Street West and Avenue K-8

Admission: Adults: \$8
Active Military with ID: \$5
Seniors 62 & older: \$5
Children 6-12: \$5
Children under 6: FREE

Abundant free parking with complimentary tram service to and from the festival site. Advanced tickets available online at www.poppyfestival.com.

- Strolling entertainers and "pop-up" performances provide everyone with opportunities for a front row seat to experience the excitement of live theater, dance and song.
- Great local talent and guest musicians offer non-stop shows on five stages throughout the festival.
- A delightful farmers market brings fresh fruits, vegetables and baked goods to your family and friends.
- The remarkable handicrafts of talented artists and artisans will add to your enjoyment.
- Abundant food choices ensure no one goes hungry. Snack on festival favorites, explore exotic cuisines or sample traditional fare.

Enjoy two full days packed with fun and excitement for everyone!

poppyfestival.com
661-723-6077

Lancaster University Center Hosts Spanish Language General Education Development (GED) Program

City forms partnerships to offer much needed general education courses

The City of Lancaster's Tapestry Commission has been working with educators from California State University Long Beach (CSULB) and the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles to develop new educational opportunities for Spanish-speaking residents.

"As a provider of quality higher education here in the Antelope Valley, CSULB understands the importance of offering such educational opportunities for all citizens," said Kenneth Santarelli, Director of CSULB programs in the Antelope Valley. "We are more than happy to assist in this effort because we know education changes lives."

Already overenrolled, the 26-week program is providing 150 students with the skills required to pass the GED test and receive a diploma. This is a critical step in being prepared to succeed in life.

For more information or to register for the Spanish GED courses, contact Mr. Omar Ruiz at omar Ruiz61@gmail.com, or visit the Lancaster University Center located at 45356 Division Street.



Smart Devices Are Tempting Targets for Criminals

Purse snatching has given way to cell phone pilfering

Law enforcement has recently seen an upswing in "snatch and grab" robberies of cell phones and tablets in the Lancaster area.

"These are crimes of opportunity," said the City's Public Safety Manager Lee D'Errico. "People are busy walking and talking on their phone. Taking advantage of this distraction, a thief swoops in to swipe their cell phone."

The irony is that open-air conversations have become more prevalent as tougher distracted driving laws are enforced. Citizens are encouraged to keep such devices concealed in a pocket, purse or backpack when traveling by foot and to always be aware of their surroundings.



Mark the Date
Vote on April 8th!
Municipal elections will choose new Council Members

One of our most cherished rights in this nation is our ability to choose the leaders who will represent our interests. Yet, far too few of us take advantage of this right to vote in local elections. Statewide, fewer than half of all those qualified to vote turn out on Election Day.

Don't let apathy win the next election. Stand up and be counted. The voting process has never been easier. You can register online and even request a vote-by-mail ballot! If you are 18 years of age or more, a US citizen and a Lancaster resident, you have a right to vote in municipal elections. However, if you are not already registered, you must do so by March 24. Re-registering is required if you move, change your name or party affiliation.

Forms are available at the City Clerk's office, most libraries, post offices and the DMV. Register online at www.ss.ca.gov.

This year, two four-year Council seats will be on the ballot.

Key Dates to Remember:

March 24 Last day to register for municipal elections
April 1 Last day to request vote-by-mail ballots

Get Involved in Your Municipal Election Become an Official Poll Worker!

The City is always looking for enthusiastic and helpful poll workers, particularly those with special language skills. If you are 18 years of age or older and have a desire to serve your community, call the City Clerk's office at 661-723-6020. All poll workers are compensated for their time and effort.



Road to Progress Paved with Innovations

New techniques provide lower costs by keeping roads in shape

The City of Lancaster has recently adopted a new Pavement Preservation Program which helps lengthen the life of local streets while improving overall roadway rehabilitation.

By utilizing a number of innovative cost-saving techniques, the program saves taxpayers money while improving road conditions. For instance, all work is performed by City staff, thus reducing the need for outside contractors.

In the past, the City had two options for fixing worn pavement. The first involved performing a full resurfacing of a street. The second involved a costly and time-consuming reconstruction.

Today, the City is taking a proactive approach. By sealing streets on a more frequent basis, the life of a road is extended anywhere from six to eight years. Seal coats treat the top one inch of asphalt where most street wear occurs. The new coating costs less than 25% of the cost of an overlay and less than 10% of the cost of a total reconstruction.

The City is also testing new technologies which in the future may allow it to actually reuse existing asphalt, therefore reducing City expenditures on street repairs.

The cumulative cost savings allows the City to treat streets more frequently. Nearly 85 lane-miles were repaired in 2013. In 2014, this is anticipated to increase to some 130 miles, which means more roads will be in better shape. Several stretches of City roadways have already benefitted from the process, including Avenue L from 60th to 90th Streets West; 30th Street West from Avenues H to J; 70th Street West from Avenues J to L; 60th Street West from Avenues G to I; and 50th Street West from Avenues G to I.

“While we continue to perform full-depth reconstructions and overlays when conditions warrant, these new techniques will provide cost savings and better road quality both in the short and long term,” said Public Works Director Robert Neal.

Multi-Million Dollar Grants to Improve Traffic Conditions

*State and federal funds
earmarked for street and
highway fixes*

Drivers will be happy to hear that the City of Lancaster has been awarded some \$58 million in grants and matching funds to help improve traffic flow and safety within Lancaster.

Thanks to \$361,000 in Prop 1B funds, intersections at 25th Street East and Lancaster Boulevard as well as 25th Street East and Avenue J will be widened to better accommodate additional traffic.

A \$2.7 million grant from the Highway Safety Program will help the City create safer routes for bikes and pedestrians by building new sidewalks, bike lanes, flashing beacons, curb ramps and signals along Avenue I.

Approximately \$55 million in Highway Equity Funds will go toward improvements to five freeway interchanges along State Route 14 and enhancements to State Route 138.

These efforts are a continuation of the City’s ongoing efforts to make local streets and highways safer for all that use them. A recent neighborhood traffic-calming project has helped reduce collisions by 60% along 25th Street West and Valley Central Way.



Valley Central Way

Flooding in the Desert?

Our arid area is prone to dangerous flash flooding

Believe it or not, more people drown in the desert than die of thirst. This is what the United States Geological Service tells us. Since arid soils don't soak up water well, heavy rains can produce floods very quickly and without warning. It can be clear and bright here while nearby mountains are receiving a downpour. This can lead to an avalanche of water racing down dry creeks and riverbeds.

When forecasts call for rain, avoid low lying areas and be mindful that drainage areas can fill up quickly as debris clogs outlets. Do not attempt to walk through moving water. Just six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet. The best advice is to move to higher ground and wait for help. If you must forge a waterway, find the calmest place where the current is slow. Use a stick to check the firmness of the ground in front of you and steady your path as you walk.

Never drive into flooded areas. It is difficult to judge how deep the water is and only a few inches of floodwaters can sweep a car away.

Mudslides and other debris flows are common below areas which have suffered wildfires. If you live in a high risk area, you can prepare by working with your neighbors to build temporary channels and diversions to help protect your homes. During a severe storm, stay alert and awake. Deaths and injuries from flow often occur because victims were sleeping and did not have time to react. Listen to local radio stations on a battery-powered radio for any news and information. If you hear unusual sounds such as cracking trees or rocks crashing together, seek higher ground immediately. If escape is not possible, curl up in a ball and protect your head until the flow subsides.

During and after an incident, if you believe your home is unsafe to occupy or have been instructed to evacuate, seek shelter in a designated public location. Local radio and TV stations will broadcast this information, or you can text the word SHELTER and your zip code to 4FEMA (43362) to find the nearest shelter in your area.

Check for trapped or injured people nearby without putting yourself in jeopardy. Direct rescuers to those who need assistance. Report damaged infrastructure to the proper authorities. Return home only when authorities indicate it is safe.

For more tips, visit www.Ready.gov.



Don't Let Sudden Gusts Uproot Your Life

Anyone who has lived in the Antelope Valley for long knows that our balmy breezes can sometimes turn into walloping winds impacting all of us.

Anything outside that isn't firmly secured can soon find its way into the neighbor's pool, or worse, out on the highway. Trees can quickly fall right in your driveway, if not regularly maintained.

When a high wind advisory is posted, take appropriate precautions to secure your belongings and use extra care while driving. Dust and blowing debris can obscure your vision and cause other drivers to react in an unexpected fashion. Avoid driving RVs or other slab-sided vehicles when the winds kick up. ArborDay.org has great tips on proper tree care and disease prevention.

A little common sense can go a long way when dealing with the whims of Mother Nature's fickle winds.



Are you Covered?

Residents are often surprised to discover that flood losses are not typically covered under renter's and homeowner's insurance policies. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) makes federally backed flood insurance available in areas that have adopted floodplain management practices which help to reduce future flood damage.

Flood insurance is available through local insurance agents. There is a 30-day waiting period before flood insurance goes into effect, so don't wait until the last minute.

Find out if your home or business is at flood risk and educate yourself on the impact it might have on you and your family. FEMA provides resources which identify high flood risk areas. Talk with your insurance provider to determine if you need additional coverage.

To find out more, visit www.FloodSmart.gov.

Fighting Online Crime

Employing safe Internet practices can help protect both your identity and your bank account



We've all heard horror stories about identity theft. Are you taking proper precautions to protect yourself online?

Here are tips from the National Cyber Security Alliance:

Keep a Clean Machine

- Keep security software current. The best defense against viruses, malware and online threats is keeping things up-to-date. Use auto-update where available.
- Plug and scan. "USBs" and other external devices can become infected. Be sure to scan those used to transfer information between machines.

Protect Your Personal Information

- Secure your online accounts. Often, extra protection is available to verify identity and to ensure you are dealing with the real website. Use these features when available.
- Make passwords long and strong. For stronger codes, combine upper and lowercase numbers and symbols.
- Unique account, unique password. Use separate passwords for each account. It helps thwart theft.
- Own your online presence. Set privacy and security settings on sites to your comfort level for sharing. It's okay to limit with whom you share personal information.

Connect with Care

- When in doubt, throw it out. Bad links in emails and posts let cybercrooks infect computers. If it looks weird, even if the source seems legitimate, it's best to delete it.
- Get savvy about Wi-Fi hotspots. Limit the type of business you conduct in public and adjust security settings to limit who can access your machine.
- Protect your funds. When banking and shopping, check to be sure the site is secure. Look for "https:" at the start of a web address. It helps keep sensitive data secure.

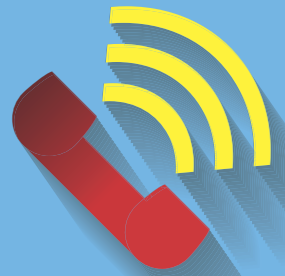
Be a Good Online Citizen

- Safer for me, more secure for all. What you do online can impact everyone. Good online habits help us all.

For more information, visit www.stophinkconnect.org.

Assistant Fire Chief's Message

Use 9-1-1 Only for Emergencies



9-1-1. Those three little numbers can be lifesavers.

One call connects you to police, fire and paramedic services. Los Angeles County Fire Dispatchers are highly trained and dedicated professionals, ready to assist you in getting the help you need. However, 9-1-1 is intended only for emergency situations. Here are some helpful tips on using 9-1-1 services responsibly.

- **DO** use 9-1-1 **ONLY** in emergency situations.
- **DO** know your location when calling for help.
- **DO** lock phones when not in use to avoid accidental dialing.
- **DO** listen carefully, speak clearly and remain calm when speaking to a 9-1-1 dispatcher.
- **DO** teach children how to properly use 9-1-1.
- **DON'T** hang up if you accidentally dial 9-1-1. Stay on the line and explain the mistake.
- **DON'T** call 9-1-1 for non-emergency purposes.
- **DON'T** call 9-1-1 for a tow truck or taxi. Dispatchers can't transfer the call.

Improper use of 9-1-1 ties up dispatchers and could place lives in danger. Don't call 9-1-1 when you have ordinary business with police or fire. Those numbers can be found in your phone book or via 4-1-1.

9-1-1 operators cannot provide information on the magnitude of earthquakes, why there is a power outage or what time it is after a seasonal change has occurred. It is not a general "information line."

By simply taking a moment to think before you dial 9-1-1, you'll ensure that this vital service is readily available when you really need to use it.

Please call us whenever you need us, but be sure to use the proper number.

Sincerely,

Assistant Fire Chief Gerald Cosey

Non-emergency phone numbers

Lancaster Sheriff's Station 661-948-8466
LA County Fire Department 661-948-3785



New Program Aims to Help Wounded Warriors

Grants available to disabled veterans and others to make homes more accessible

After serving their country and giving greatly, too many veterans face another battle when they return home and find their quarters simply aren't equipped to deal with the special needs of their disability. A ramp is needed to simply navigate the front porch. Doorways aren't wide enough to work with a wheelchair. Even the bathroom is tough to maneuver within. It can be a rude awakening for those who have served us so valiantly.

In an effort to overcome these obstacles and honor the men and women who have served our country gallantly, the City of Lancaster has announced a new Community Development Block Grant program which can provide up to \$10,000 to rehabilitate and retrofit homes of disabled veterans.

A similar program is designed to help other qualified homeowners with a physically disabled family member who cannot come home from a medical facility before physical modifications are made to their residence.

"These programs are designed to offer assistance to those struggling to overcome disabilities," said Elizabeth Brubaker, Director of Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization. "We particularly wanted to do something to help wounded warriors who have been injured while serving all of us."

Any disabled veteran who received injuries in wartime can apply. The civilian program prerequisites include specific medical needs. In both cases, specific income qualifications must be met. Documentation from a physician or the Department of Defense is also required.

Alterations can include: changing doorway thresholds; widening doorways; installing ramps and grab bars; remodeling kitchens and bathrooms to accommodate the needs of the disabled; and other necessary changes to meet specific resident's needs.

For more information regarding this program, contact the City's Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization Department at 661-723-6121 or visit www.cityoflancasterca.org.

New Pool Ordinance Targets Neglected Pools

Concern regarding West Nile virus and other mosquito-borne illnesses prompts action by City Council

Many people enjoy a refreshing dip in their backyard pool on a warm day, but unless that pool is properly maintained, it can harbor unwelcomed, sometimes even deadly visitors.

In recent years, West Nile virus has become a growing problem. This mosquito-borne illness infected 369 people in California last year leading to 14 disease-related deaths. The disease was most prevalent in Los Angeles County where more than 150 human cases were reported in 2013.

Mosquitoes thrive in standing water. They lay their eggs and quickly multiply, allowing the disease to spread. Neglected pools are a common breeding ground for these pests.

This is why a new City ordinance requiring all residents to properly maintain pools has been approved by the City Council. Swimming pools must have proper filtration devices as well as the necessary chemical treatments to keep water clear and well circulated. Alternately, owners may drain a pool completely and keep it dry.

Failure to abide by the ordinance can result in penalties of \$500 for the first offense and up to \$1,500 for subsequent violations.

The City is also entitled to recover its costs for the abatement of any unmaintained pool.

Do your part to ensure public health while enjoying the pleasure of swimming with friends and family. Keep your pool in shape.

For tips on proper pool maintenance, visit swimmingpool.com. To report a neglected pool in your neighborhood, contact the City's Code Enforcement office at 661-723-6121.

UNITE Begins Planning for 2014 Projects

The City of Lancaster's UNITE community service program has brought scores of neighbors together to improve their community. The name, in fact, stands for this goal: *Uniting Neighbors In a Team Effort*.

Now in its fourth year, organizers are already hard at work developing the ground rules for a new, even more community driven program in 2014. Launched by the City's Lancaster Neighborhood Vitalization Commission (LNVC) and staff-run Safer Stronger Neighborhoods Committee (SSN), the program aims to empower local groups and strengthen the bonds between neighbors. UNITE encourages creativity and cooperation among neighbors to develop innovative projects which accomplish worthy goals.

Details of this year's program will be unveiled at the LNVC meeting on May 6. Awarded projects will be announced on August 5.

The program will culminate in UNITE Lancaster day on Saturday, September 20, when hundreds of volunteers will come together to serve their community.

For more information on the UNITE program, call 661-723-6072 or email unite@cityoflancasterca.org.



Corporate Challenge Kicks Off with Friendly Rivalries

City-sponsored competition encourages workplace wellness



CORPORATE CHALLENGE
 LANCASTER 2014

groups to participate in unifying and morale building activities rooted in the spirit of friendly competition.

In 2014, Lancaster's program has doubled in size with 15 different events scheduled throughout the 16 weeks. Fifteen teams are participating in this year's challenge.

For information on sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.cityoflancasterca.org/lcc or call 661-723-6187.

Lancaster's 2nd Annual Corporate Challenge got off to a rousing start February 22 with an invigorating 5k run.

The 16-week program is scheduled to wrap up June 7 with a triathlon and celebratory chili cook-off. In between, teams will compete in all sorts of athletic and non-athletic events ranging from bowling and basketball to horseshoes and Frisbee.

Corporate Challenge is a good-hearted approach to encouraging workplace wellness. Teams compete in an Olympic-style competition which promotes teambuilding, fun and fitness. Events are held in the evenings and on weekends, providing an opportunity for



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LANCASTER CITY PARK

**CAMP SIGN-UP DAY
SATURDAY, MAY 17**

9 - 11 A.M.

**Stanley Kleiner Building
Lancaster City Park**

PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR ALL SESSIONS!

Weekly camp program includes a fun adventure, swimming, games, sports and themed crafts.

EXCURSIONS!

June 16-20	Hurricane Harbor	July 14-18	Pacific Park
June 23-27	Six Flags Magic Mountain	July 21-25	Knotts Berry Farm
June 30 - July 3*	Sky High Sports	July 28 - August 1	Kidspace Museum/ Brookside Park
July 7-11	Medieval Times	August 4-8	Raging Waters

Day Camp Fee: \$150 per week

*(\$120 for 4th of July week - no program on Friday, July 4th)

Core Camp Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday

Participants may enjoy extended commuter hours (7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.) at no additional cost.

Registration Policy: A \$50 non-refundable deposit per week is required when enrolling. The remaining balance is due two weeks before the start of each camp week. Bring a current photo of your child. Cash, check and credit cards accepted. **Call 661-723-6077 for more information.**

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Hop to it!

Bunny's Annual

EGG HUNT

Eggstravaganza

Saturday, April 19

Lancaster City Park Big 8 Complex

43063 10th Street West

All children under 10 are invited to join the Bunny on a hunt for festive eggs that are redeemable for a special prize.

Be sure to visit the Bunny and have a picture taken with this hare of a host. Photos are \$3 each while admission to the Egg Hunt is FREE!

Bring your own baskets and arrive early as all hunts will begin at their scheduled time. Adults may only accompany small children (5 and under) onto the field.

Age	Time	Location
1 & under	9:30 a.m.	Field 1
2 years	9:50 a.m.	Field 2
3 years	10:10 a.m.	Field 3
4 & 5 years	10:30 a.m.	Field 4
6 years	10:50 a.m.	Field 1
7 years	11:10 a.m.	Field 2
8 & 9 years	11:30 a.m.	Field 1



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IMMEDIATE REGISTRATION

All forms of registration are now open.

Residents are those persons living inside the City limits of Lancaster. All others pay a non-resident (NR) fee. Example \$40 (\$46 NR).

City of Lancaster Parks

American Heroes Park

701 West Kettering Street • 661-723-6077

Deputy Pierre W. Bain Park/Eastside Pool

45045 5th Street East • 661-723-6077 / 661-723-6255

El Dorado Park

44501 5th Street East • 661-723-6077

Forrest E. Hull, M.D. Park

2850 West Avenue L-12 • 661-723-6077

James C. Gilley

Lancaster National Soccer Center

43000 30th Street East • 661-723-5965

Jane Reynolds Park/Webber Pool

716 Oldfield Street • 661-723-6285 / 661-723-6288

Lancaster City Park/Tennis Center/ Big 8 Softball Complex

43063 10th Street West • 661-723-6278

Mariposa Park

45755 Fig Avenue • 661-723-6077

Prime Desert Woodland Preserve

43201 35th Street West • 661-723-6230

Rawley Duntley Park

3334 West Avenue K • 661-723-6295

Skytower Park

43434 Vineyard Drive • 661-723-6077

Tierra Bonita Park

44910 27th Street East • 661-723-6209

Whit Carter Park

45635 Sierra Highway • 661-723-6077

Registration Details

- **SPORTS** have different registration dates listed in the program information on page 21.
- **ONLINE REGISTRATION** requires a VISA, Mastercard, Discover or American Express card. www.cityoflanasterca.org
- **REFUND REQUESTS** must be made at least 48 (business) hours prior to the first program meeting. A \$3 per enrollment handling fee will be applied to all refunds. Sorry, no refunds will be given after the program has started. Please allow three weeks for processing your refund. Due to enrollment factors and other conditions beyond the control of staff, schedules are subject to change, cancellation or rescheduling.
- **REGISTRATION** constitutes consent for the use of any photographs taken to be used for City marketing purposes.
- **LIABILITY RELEASE:** By enrolling in activities, you release and hold harmless from liability the City of Lancaster, its officers, agents, servants, employees and representatives.
- **FOR MORE INFORMATION**, call 661-723-6077 or visit www.cityoflanasterca.org.



Online registration available



New class offering



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Instructor

Preschool



El Dorado Preschool

Registration MUST be completed in person at

City Hall. The following materials must be presented at the time of registration: (1) A recent (within the last month) photo of your child and (2) emergency contact information. Parents are required to pack their child a nutritious snack every day as well as volunteer twice during the course. El Dorado Park, Preschool Building.



Wee Folks



Lauren Carr

(3 yrs.) A positive first-school experience for young children, Wee Folks encourages social development through group activities and play. Class activities include crafts, stories, outdoor play activities and snack. Potty-trained child must have turned 3 by Oct. 2, 2013. \$139 (\$146 NR). No class Apr. 8.

7449

T/TH

Apr. 1-Jun. 26

9-11:30 a.m.

Preschool



Elizabeth Nelson

(4 yrs.) Kindergarten preparation class. Young students develop their social skills through play, art, stories, songs, games and outside play activities. Students are encouraged to develop their independence, improve their self-help and sharing skills, and learn to follow directions. Child must have turned 4 by Oct. 2, 2013. \$195 (\$202 NR). No class May 26.

7448

MWF

Mar. 31-Jun. 27

9-11:30 a.m.



Jane Reynolds Preschool



Lynnette Bass

Registration guideline: Priority registration for current students ends on the 15th of the month prior to the upcoming class. Parents are required to volunteer three times throughout the course session. Materials: \$10 per session, due to the instructor on the first day of class. Jane Reynolds Park, Room 2.

Play Brigade

(3 yrs.) An introductory-level preschool class where children can be themselves, have fun learning as well as develop key school-readiness skills such as following directions, showing respect to others and fine motor skills. Potty-trained child must have turned 3 by October 2, 2013. \$140 (\$147 NR). No class Apr. 22 and 24.

7315

T/TH

Apr. 1-May 29

9-11:30 a.m.

Preschool

(4 yrs.) Through purposefully designed learning environments and enriched activities, preschoolers have joyful, appropriate and meaningful learning experiences that lead to success in school and life. Child must have turned 4 by Oct. 2, 2013. \$205 (\$212 NR). No class Apr. 18-25, May 26.

7314

MWF

Mar. 31-May 30

9 a.m.-Noon

Summer Play Days

(3-5 yrs.) Make this summer fun with recreational education! Children will learn socialization skills and kindergarten preparation through the use of crafts, stories and motor skills play. \$95 (\$102 NR).

7316

MWF




Jun. 2-27

9 a.m.-Noon




Youth Enrichment

After-School Programs - Enrichment Centers



Structured and safe after-school programs for K-6 offered at Valley View and West Wind schools M-F until 6 p.m. Staff are fingerprinted and CPR/First Aid certified. \$110 per month. Priority registration for all participants ends on 15th of the month prior to upcoming month. New student enrollments only accepted at the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department in City Hall.

  **Chess Tournaments** |  **Daa Anne Mahowald**
(Grades K-8) The **Mini-Game** Chess Tournament will introduce the six chess pieces and a mini-game specific to each piece. No previous chess knowledge required. The **Chess Spectacular** will be a full game, non-elimination chess tournament with the opportunity to play more than 20 games of chess. Requirement: Knowledge of how to checkmate. \$5 (\$7 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

7353	Mini-Game	Sat.	Mar. 29	9 a.m.-1 p.m.
7354	Chess Spec.	Sat.	May 3	9 a.m.-3 p.m.

  **Kids' Chess Club** |  **Daa Anne Mahowald**
(Grades K-8) Each week, students will experience hands-on group chess activities that advance their understanding and appreciation for the game. Prior knowledge of chess is not necessary. Chess sets and boards will be supplied for class time. Parents are welcome to observe or volunteer. \$60 (\$67 NR). Prime Desert Woodland Preserve, Interpretive Center.

7266		Fri.	Apr. 4-Jun. 27	5:15-6:45 p.m.
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 **Mommy/Daddy & Me** |  **Lynnette Bass**
(12 mos.-3 yrs.) Parent and child explore art, music and games while developing socialization skills. \$90 (\$97 NR), **\$40 (\$46 NR). Materials: \$8. Jane Reynolds Park, Room 2. No class Apr. 22 and 24.

7317		T/TH	Apr. 1-May 29	12-1:30 p.m.
7319		T/TH	Jun. 3-26**	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

  **Parent & Child Gymnastics**
 **Collette Zimmerman**


(9 mos.-3 yrs.) Promote early development and provide a strong foundation for your child's critical first three years through these weekly classes. Help your child achieve new milestones and prepare for more advanced challenges during each stage of growth. \$40 (\$46 NR). Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Ave. L-6, Unit B.

7349		Fri.	Apr. 4-25	9:15-10 a.m.
7350		Fri.	May 2-23	9:15-10 a.m.
7351		Fri.	Jun. 6-27	9:15-10 a.m.

  **Suzuki Piano & Music** |  **Patricia Bean**

(3-9 yrs) The Suzuki method, developed by Shinichi Suzuki, is focused on teaching the very young child. The approach is based on the assumption that all children can learn music in much the same way that they learn their native language. Through listening and imitation along with a positive, nurturing environment, the ability of the child develops. Your child's success in this program is reliant upon your participation. \$63 (\$70 NR). Materials fee: \$22. Jane Reynolds Park, Activity Center. No class Apr. 8.

7383	3-5 yrs.	Tue.	Mar. 25-Jun. 17	8-8:45 a.m.
7384	6-9 yrs.	Wed.	Apr. 2-Jun. 18	6-7 p.m.

 **Teen Court**

Lancaster teens interested in the criminal justice system can gain experience by serving as a juror. Call 661-723-6256 for more information.

Meets 4th Wed. of each month	Sep.-May	3:30 p.m.
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 **Youth Commission**

Local high school students are selected to serve as a teen advisory group to the City Council, addressing issues and helping plan programs, projects and special events for Lancaster teens. Call 661-723-6070 for information.




Meets 2nd Thu. of each month	Oct.-Jun.	4-6 p.m.
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Arts Education



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Fees for introductory level youth arts and performance courses have been reduced by 30% thanks to an Arts Education Grant provided by Edison International. First-come, first-served while funding is available. **Reduced rates are reflected.**

  **Animation** |  **Orlando Baeza**

(10 yrs.-Adult) Learn the art of animation from one of the leading artists for the Emmy® Award-winning series THE SIMPSONS! **Students must bring their own lightbox to class.** \$60 (\$67 NR). Materials fee: \$45. *Lancaster Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Hernando and Fran Marroquin Family Classroom. No class May 24.



2-D Animation: Through tailored exercise, students will be guided through the elements of solid drawing, gesture, silhouette, weight, squash and stretch.

7326		Sat.	Apr. 5-May 31	12-1:30 p.m.
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Storyboarding for Animation: Learn tips and tricks that will help improve your visual storytelling.

7327		Sat.	Apr. 5-May 31	2-3:30 p.m.
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 **Beyond Point & Shoot Photography** |  **Phillip Kocurek**

(16 yrs.-Adult) A digital or film SLR camera is required. Lancaster City Park, Game Room. No class Apr. 23

Beginners: Take your camera and photography beyond "total automatic" by learning the basics of exposure, flash, camera controls and more. \$39 (\$45 NR).

7247		Wed.	Apr. 9-May 14	6-7:30 p.m.
7248		Wed.	May 21-Jun. 18	6-7:30 p.m.

Advanced: Gain a better understanding of photography beyond the basics. Learn about techniques and equipment used every day by professionals. \$65 (\$72 NR).

7249		Wed.	Apr. 9-May 14	7:30-9 p.m.
7250		Wed.	May 21-Jun. 18	7:30-9 p.m.

REGISTER ONLINE

Register for Parks, Recreation & Arts courses from the comfort of your own computer. Simply sign up for your own personal ID and password at www.cityoflancasterca.org.



D's Ceramics | **Steven Mosley**

Materials: \$25. Lancaster Market Place, 2330 Mall Loop Drive, Unit 5-121.

Potter's Wheel (12 yrs.-Adult) Learn the basics of throwing on a potter's wheel, wedging, centering and basic forms. Create projects like bowls, jars or vases. **Participants 12-16 yrs. must have adult supervision.** \$46 (\$53 NR).

7254	Sat.	Apr. 5-26	3-4:30 p.m.
7255	Sat.	May 3-24	3-4:30 p.m.
7256	Sat.	Jun. 7-28	3-4:30 p.m.

Children's Art Program - CAP (6-12 yrs) Students experience a variety of ceramic art styles including potter's wheel, sculpting, ceramic art and hands-on work with clay, paints and glazes. **Adult supervision required.** \$35 (\$40 NR).

7251	Sat.	Apr. 5-26	1-2:30 p.m.
7252	Sat.	May 3-24	1-2:30 p.m.
7253	Sat.	Jun. 7-28	1-2:30 p.m.

Open Studio | **Renato de Guia**

(16 yrs.-Adult) Whatever your medium, just bring your resources and enjoy the community environment of this class while you practice your craft. Each week there will be a new model to utilize in this student-directed class. \$35 (\$42 NR). **\$20 student rate available for in-person registration only, with current student ID card.** Model fee included. Jane Reynolds Park, Activity Center. No class May 24.

7320	Sat.	Apr. 5-26	3-6 p.m.
7321	Sat.	May 3-31	3-6 p.m.
7322	Sat.	Jun. 7-28	3-6 p.m.



Health & Fitness

Boundaries | **DeAnna Crisp**

(16 yrs.-Adult) Do you have trouble saying no? Learn how to set healthy boundaries with friends, family and even yourself. The goal of this class is to help define and maintain clear personal boundaries that are essential to a healthy and balanced life. \$38 (\$44 NR). Materials fee: \$10. Lancaster City Park, Game Room.

7312	Tue.	Apr. 15-Jun. 17	6:30-8:30 p.m.
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CPR and First Aid | **CPR+ Training**

(12 yrs.-Adult) Infant, child and adult CPR/First Aid. Once you have successfully completed this course, you will receive an EMS Safety Services completion card. \$45 (\$52 NR). Lancaster City Park, Game Room.

7268-7270	2nd Sat. of the month	1-5 p.m.
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Gymnastics for Kids | **Collette Zimmerman**

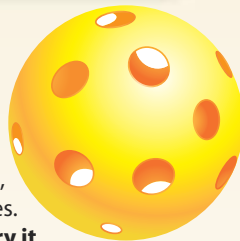
(3-14 yrs.) Keep kids healthy and fit while they learn how to tumble, bounce trampoline, and the basics of vault, bars and beam. \$40 (\$46 NR). *Camp: \$100 (\$107 NR). Genesis Gymnastics, 824 W. Avenue L-6, Unit B.

7328	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Apr. 5-26	10:45-11:30 a.m.
7329	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	May 3-24	10:45-11:30 a.m.
7330	3-4 yrs.	Sat.	Jun. 7-28	10:45-11:30 a.m.
7331	5-14 yrs.	Sat.	Apr. 5-26	11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
7332	5-14 yrs.	Sat.	May 3-24	11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
7334	5-14 yrs.	Sat.	Jun. 7-28	11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
7333	5-12 yrs.	M-F	Jun. 23-27*	9 a.m.-Noon



Pickleball | **Joe Dagata**

(Adults-Senior) Athletic prowess and superior strength aren't necessary. Great speed isn't required. It doesn't take a lot of racket skills either. It's a combination of tennis and badminton played on a conventional badminton doubles court, with a 3' high net and overgrown ping pong paddles. Singles or doubles teams can play. **Come out and try it for FREE!** We'll teach you the game and you'll be hooked just like 75,000 players already playing this game on the west coast. \$5 (\$7 NR), includes play and materials for entire spring quarter. Lancaster City Park, Tennis Practice Court. No class Apr. 26.



7313	Sat.	Apr. 5-Jun. 28	8:30-11 a.m.
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Senior/Adult Exercise Classes

(Adult) Non-strenuous exercises improve flexibility and circulation. Classes sponsored by High Desert Medical Group. No pre-registration required. Come and participate at your convenience and enjoyment. Bring large towel/mat to class. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center. **Monday-Thursday, 9-10 a.m. every week.**

Yoga | Kae Bender

Whether you are new to yoga or have been practicing for years, we have a class for you. Bring a yoga mat or firmly woven blanket. Save 10% when you register (in-person/phone) for three months at once. No class Apr. 8

Fundamental (14 yrs.-Adult) For the beginner who wants to build a strong foundation of basic Yoga postures and breathing techniques. Monthly: \$32 (\$37 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

**American Heroes Park, Community Building.

7285	Tue.	Apr. 1-29	6:30-7:45 p.m.
7286	Tue.	May 6-27	6:30-7:45 p.m.
7287	Tue.	Jun. 3-24	6:30-7:45 p.m.
7288	Thu.**	Apr. 3-24	9-10:15 a.m.
7289	Thu.**	May 1-22	9-10:15 a.m.
7290	Thu.**	May 29-Jun. 19	9-10:15 a.m.

Experienced Practitioner (Adult) Each week introduces a new yoga asana practice; some may be challenging but NO arm balances or headstands are included. Monthly: \$32 (\$37 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

7445	Tue.	Apr. 1-29	8-9:15 p.m.
7446	Tue.	May 6-27	8-9:15 p.m.
7447	Tue.	Jun. 3-24	8-9:15 p.m.

You Are What You Eat | Shannon Quigley

(16 yrs.-Adult) If you are having trouble losing weight, sleeping or just want to feel better, then this workshop is for you! Enjoy organic vegan smoothies and a mini-yoga flow session while you learn the types of foods that will benefit your health – mentally, emotionally and physically. Also, find out why your blood sugar is so important and how to maintain it for a more balanced life. \$12 (\$14 NR).

*Lancaster Museum of Art & History (MOAH), Hernando and Fran Marroquin Family Classroom.

7380	Thu.	Apr. 10	5:30-7:30 p.m.
7381	Thu.	May 8	5:30-7:30 p.m.
7382	Thu.	Jun. 12	5:30-7:30 p.m.

Zumba™ - The Original "Fitness Party"

International Dance Fitness Academy

(13 yrs.-Adult) Get ready to burn calories and experience a total body workout while learning different international dances. \$28 (\$32 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Suite 109.

7335	T/TH	May 1-27	6:30-7:30 p.m.
7336	T/TH	Jun. 3-26	6:30-7:30 p.m.

Martial Arts

Swordplay for Pre-Teens | Wayne Crews

(8-12 yrs.) Swordplay with padded boffers is a great cardio workout and helps youth learn fair play, chivalry and history of the sword. Students learn basic fencing moves, fight games and etiquette required for social skills. Great for socially awkward teens, shy kids, ADHD focus and home-schooled kids who need socialization. \$50 (\$57 NR). Materials fee: \$10. The Academy of Style, 42156 10th St. West at Avenue L-12, Unit U.

7260	Wed.	Apr. 2-23	4-5 p.m.
7261	Wed.	Apr. 30-May 21	4-5 p.m.
7262	Wed.	Jun. 4-25	4-5 p.m.

Youth Self-Defense and Safety Awareness

Young Champions

(4-18 yrs.) Safety awareness and self-defense combined in a fun, structured environment! Students placed according to age and ability while learning and practicing skills. Students progress in rank and earn belts. \$60 (\$67 NR). Registration with the City of Lancaster is required. Material fee: \$8. Jane Reynolds Park, Activity Center.

Session: Fridays, Apr. 4-Jun. 13. No class Apr. 25.

7345	<i>New students</i>	4:30-5:10 p.m.
7346	<i>Yellow belts</i>	5:15-5:55 p.m.
7347	<i>Orange belts</i>	6-6:40 p.m.
7348	<i>Purple belts & above</i>	6:45-7:25 p.m.

Performing Arts

Ballet & Tap

International Dance Fitness Academy

(3-7 yrs.) On point to help your child develop self-confidence, refine motor skills and enhance their imagination while learning simple and fun routines! Bring leotard, pink ballet shoes, black tap shoes and pink tights. \$42 (\$48 NR), **\$35 (\$40 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Suite 109. No class Apr. 21 and May 26.

7338	3-4 yrs.	Mon.	Apr. 7-Jun. 23**	4:30-5:30 p.m.
7339	5-7 yrs.	Wed.	Apr. 9-Jun. 25	4:30-5:30 p.m.

Social Salsa Dance

International Dance Fitness Academy

(13 yrs.-Adult) Get into the community experience that is Salsa! Learn the basic steps, varying dance pattern, rhythm and timing that make Salsa fun. This group class is welcoming and moves at an easy pace. No partner or experience necessary. Single \$40 (\$46 NR), Couple \$70 (\$77 NR). International Dance Fitness Academy, 311 E. Avenue K-8, Suite 109.

7340	Thu.	Apr. 3-Jun. 12	7:30-8:30 p.m.
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Pet Classes

Dog/Puppy Obedience | Carole Kelly

(12 yrs.-Adult) Teaches basic commands: sit, heel, down, stay and come. Bring puppy or dog (puppies must be at least 8 wks.), proof of current vaccinations, rabies cert. (required for dogs 6 months+ only) and 6-ft. leather/nylon leash to first class. Young participants must have parent on-site. \$60 (\$67 NR). Lancaster City Park, open space west of tennis courts.

7267	Sat.	May 3-Jun. 21	9:30-10:30 a.m.
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Horsemanship | Antelope Valley 4-H

(8-17 yrs.) In this hands-on class you will learn about the basic care and feeding, home first aid, safe handling and grooming of horses. Every student will have the opportunity of grooming and working with a well-mannered lesson horse. Wear long pants and closed-toe shoes. Class size is limited to ensure a safe student/teacher ratio. \$12 (\$14 NR). Sweetwater Ranch, 44611 70th Street East.



7355	Sat.	May 31	1-3 p.m.
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* **MOAH** 665 W. Lancaster Boulevard (at Ehrlich Avenue)


Special Interest

new!  **Cake Decorating 101** |  **Antelope Valley 4-H**
 (8-19 yrs.) Learn how to turn a basic cake into a special occasion through this hands-on workshop. From tinting frosting to trim work, this course is designed to help students understand the fundamental concepts of cake decorating. In addition to their own delicious artwork, students will leave the class with the essential tools for decorating their next cake at home. This class is sponsored in part by Double D Cupcakes. \$10 (\$12 NR). Materials fee: \$10. Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.

7357	Sat.	May 31	1-3 p.m.
7358	Sat.	Jun. 28	1-3 p.m.

 **Computers 101** |  **Benjamin Sullivan**
 (All Ages) Have you always wanted to know about computer basics? From the functionality of basic computer parts to more advanced online application of skills, online security and data back-up, this class will teach you everything you need to know to be computer savvy. No previous computer experience needed. \$25 (\$29 NR). Skytower Park, Activity Center.



7344	Wed.	Apr. 2-May 21	6-7:30 p.m.
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new!  **DIY Beauty Workshop Series**
 **Panache Salon**
 (14 yrs.-Adult) Enjoy an individual, hands-on lesson with a salon professional who will teach you the tips and tricks you need to know to leave home every day looking like you just left the salon. **All classes held Mondays from 6-7:30 p.m.** Class size limited to ensure ratio. \$10 (\$12 NR). Panache Salon, 747 W. Lancaster BLVD.





7359	Iron Work: Curling/Flat	Apr. 7
7360	Make-up	Apr. 7
7361	Braiding	May 5
7362	Skin Care	May 5
7363	Blow Drying	Jun. 2
7364	Make-up	Jun. 2



new!  **Food Preservation** |  **Antelope Valley 4-H**
 (8 yrs.-Adult) The practice of home preserving is experiencing a resurgence. Home preserving allows for the use of locally grown and seasonal produce. This class covers the science of food preservation and how to safely can high-acid foods, such as tomatoes, fruits or pickles. Participants will receive up-to-date information, hands-on practice and go home with a product of their own making. \$12 (\$14 NR). Lancaster City Park, Activity Center.



7376	Citrus	Sat.	Mar. 29	1-4 p.m.
7377	Pickling	Sat.	Apr. 12	1-4 p.m.
7378	Fruits	Sat.	May 10	1-4 p.m.



new!  **Poetry** |  **Michelle Bee**
 (16 yrs.-Adult) Do you love poetry? Come experience the power of poetry with others who share your interest. In this course, you will learn to read and write poetry for self-development and expression. Explore the creative process in a supportive and fun environment with easy step-by-step instructions. \$30 (\$35 NR). Prime Desert Woodland Preserve, Interpretive Center.

7379	Tue.	Apr. 15-May 13	6:30-7:30 p.m.
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new!  **The Art & History of Tea Etiquette**
 **Donna Sebnia**
 (Adult) Enjoy tea, scones and sandwiches while learning the secrets of making the perfect pot of tea, tea history, proper table setting and tea etiquette. This class will prepare you to host your own tea party with complete confidence. \$40 (\$46 NR). Belladonna Gift Boutique and Tea Room, 44054 10th St. West.

7373	Sat.	Mar. 22	2-4 p.m.
7374	Sat.	Apr. 12	2-4 p.m.
7375	Sat.	May 17	2-4 p.m.



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Sports

Obtain registration materials from the Parks, Recreation & Arts Department. Return with completed registration form, roster and league fee. Register early, space is limited.

Adult Sports

Basketball | Registration: Apr. 28-May 30
League play begins in early June. Games played at local high schools Mon.-Thu. nights. Registration limited to 24 teams. \$435/team.

Mon.-Thu. Adult Basketball

Softball | Registration: Apr. 28-Jun. 13
League play begins in July. Schedule consists of 10 league games and one classification game. Games played Sun.-Fri., you determine day. \$399/team.

Sun.-Fri. Men's Slowpitch
Sun.-Fri. Coed Slowpitch
Sun.-Fri. Coed Hardball
Thu. Women's Slowpitch



Softball Tournament Contact Information
661-723-6077 | www.big8softball.com


Youth Sports

Basketball (5-13 yrs.)
Each division plays eight games. Games played on Saturdays at local high schools; practices held during the week with day, time and location determined by volunteer coach. \$57 (\$62 NR).

Ages 5-9 yrs. | Registration: Aug. 18-Sep. 19.
League play begins October 2014.
7455 Coed Div. C 8-9 yrs.
7456 Coed Div. D 6-7 yrs.
7457 Coed Div. E 5 yrs.

Ages 10-13 yrs. | Registration: Aug. 18-Dec. 19
League play begins early January 2015.
7451 Boys Div. A 12-13 yrs.
7452 Boys Div. B 10-11 yrs.
7453 Girls Div. A 12-13 yrs.
7454 Girls Div. B 10-11 yrs.

 **Youth Soccer** |  **Soccer Shots**
(2-8 yrs.) Soccer Shots is the national leader in youth soccer development. Using creative and age appropriate curriculum, Soccer Shots introduces children to the sport of soccer in a noncompetitive and fun-filled environment. \$84 (\$91 NR). Call for sibling registration discounts. Tierra Bonita Park, Soccer Field. No class July 5.

Saturdays	Season 1 Apr. 5-May 10	Season 2 May 31-Jul. 12	
Mommy/Daddy & Me (2-3 yrs.)	7306	7307	9-9:30 a.m.
Classic Pre-K Soccer (3-5 yrs.)	7308	7309	9-9:45 a.m.
Premier Soccer (5-8 yrs.)	7310	7311	9-10 a.m.
 Intellectual Disability Division (6-22 yrs.)	7385	7386	10-10:45 a.m.
<i>Caregiver participation required</i>			



Tennis

Lancaster City Park Tennis Center | 43063 10th St. West


Private Lessons (Four-lesson package)
One-on-one lessons arranged with tennis pro following registration.

7274 Four 1-hour lessons \$145 (\$152 NR)
7275 Four 1/2-hour lessons \$100 (\$107 NR)

Pee Wee (4-6 yrs.), \$36 (\$43 NR).
Introduce your child to tennis! They will enjoy learning basic skills and principles of the game. Bring 21" or 23" tennis racket. No class May 18. *Apr. 26 class will be held at Jane Reynolds Park.

 **Jim Majd, Court 8**
7276 Sat. Apr. 5-26* 10-11 a.m.
7277 Sat. May 3-24 10-11 a.m.
7278 Sat. Jun. 7-28 10-11 a.m.

Juniors (7-17 yrs.)
Long recognized as an individual sport, this class focuses on team competition. Novice and advanced play levels available.


 **Linda Ruiz, Court 3, \$51 (\$58 NR). Materials: \$5.**
No class May 26.
7291 M/W Mar. 31-Apr. 23 5-6 p.m.
7292 M/W Apr. 28-May 26 5-6 p.m.
7293 M/W Jun. 2-25 5-6 p.m.
7294 M/W-Adv. Mar. 31-Apr. 23 6-7 p.m.
7295 M/W-Adv. Apr. 28-May 26 6-7 p.m.
7296 M/W-Adv. Jun. 2-25 6-7 p.m.

 **Jim Majd, Court 5, \$51 (\$58 NR).**
7282 T/TH Apr. 1-24 5-6 p.m.
7283 T/TH May 6-29 5-6 p.m.
7284 T/TH Jun. 3-26 5-6 p.m.

Adult (18+ yrs.), \$51 (\$58 NR).
Lifetime sport encourages participants of all ages and various physical abilities to play. Fun, fitness-focused class provides a social experience for all.

 **Jim Majd, Court 5**
7279 T/TH Apr. 1-24 6-7 p.m.
7280 T/TH May 6-29 6-7 p.m.
7281 T/TH Jun. 3-26 6-7 p.m.

Court Maintenance - Courts closed while cleaned.

 **Public Play** - Except during tournaments, City lessons or court rentals.

Tennis Court Lights - Courts are lit from dusk to 10 p.m., 7 days a week. First come, first served. One-hour use if players are waiting for an open court.

Aquatics

COURSES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

To Register:

1. Read descriptions.
2. Determine which class you would like to take.
3. Select the schedule that is convenient (see page 24).
4. Check the table to see if your class is offered.
5. Use class code from table when registering.

Eastside Pool 661-723-6255 (open year round)

at Deputy Pierre W. Bain Park, 45045 5th St. East. Eastside Pool can be rented for birthdays, parties and special events! For rental or aquatic program information, call 661-723-6255.

Webber Pool 661-723-6288 (open during summer)

at Jane Reynolds Park, 716 Oldfield Street.

PUBLIC SWIM TIMES

Children less than 4 ft. tall and 7 yrs. old must be accompanied in the water by an adult (one-on-one). Flotation devices are not allowed. Lap swim is open to adults 16 and older. Lap swimmers must circle swim whenever there are more than two swimmers per lane.

Eastside Pool:

Early Bird Lap	Mon.-Thu.	5:45-7 a.m.
Noon Lap	Mon.-Sat.	11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
Senior & Therapy	Mon.-Fri.	10-11:30 a.m.
Evening Lap	Wednesday	8:30-9:30 p.m.

Holiday Closures: April 26-27, May 26

Closed March 8 for the "Dan Tran Invitational Swim Meet"

PUBLIC SWIM FEES

Infant (3 yrs. and under)	Free
Child (4-12 yrs.)	\$1
Teen (16 yrs.)	\$1.25
Adult (17+ yrs.)	\$1.75
Senior (55+ yrs.)	\$1

30 Punch Swim Pass:

Teen	\$25
Adult	\$37
Senior	\$20

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Class Information

All classes: 8 lessons, 30 minutes long, except Level 6, Aquacise and Hydrofit which are 45 minutes. For full descriptions of classes, visit City Hall or go online to www.cityoflancastrca.org.

Parent/Tot

(6 mos.-3 yrs.) Parents, teach your child to feel more relaxed and comfortable in the water.

Preschool

(3-5 yrs.) Teaches your child to feel comfortable in the water, learn breath control, flutter kick, front and back float. This is not a learn-to-swim class.

Preschool 2

(3-5 yrs.) Prerequisite: Three sessions of Preschool swim class. Preschoolers advance to prone kick glide, underwater movement, and combination arm and kick movements.

Preschool 3

(3-5 yrs.) Prerequisite: Three sessions of Preschool 2 swim class. Preschoolers advance to side breathing, and enhance combined arm and kick movements.





Level 1: Introduction to Water Skills

(6-14 yrs.) Helps students feel comfortable in the water. Learn to: enter and exit water safely; submerge mouth, nose and eyes; exhale underwater through mouth and nose; open eyes underwater; pick up submerged object and float on front and back.

Level 2: Fundamental Aquatic Skills

(6-14 yrs.) Teaches fundamental skills and enhances Level 1 skills. Learn to: enter water by stepping or jumping from side; exit water safely using ladder or side; submerge entire head; perform front and back glide; roll over from front to back, back to front; swim on side; swim on front and back and tread water.

Level 3: Stroke Development

(6-14 yrs.) Builds on skills in Level 2 through additional guided practice. Participants learn to: jump into deep water from side; dive from kneeling or standing position; submerge and retrieve an object; bob with head fully submerged; use rotary breathing in horizontal position; perform front and back glide; perform survival float; perform front and back crawl; butterfly-kick and body motion; perform HELP and Huddle position; perform a reaching assist; use Check-Call-Care in an emergency; change from horizontal to vertical position on front and back.

Level 4: Stroke Improvement

(6-14 yrs.) Develops confidence in skills learned and improves Level 3 skills. Learn to: perform shallow dive or dive from stride position; swim underwater; perform feet-first surface dive; perform open turns on front and back using any stroke; tread water using sculling arm motions and kick, front and back crawl, breaststroke, butterfly, elementary backstroke and swim on side.

Level 5: Stroke Refinement

(6-14 yrs.) Provides further coordination and refinement of Level 4 strokes. Learn to: tread water with two different kicks; learn survival swimming; perform rescue breathing. Perform standing dive; shallow dive; glide two body lengths and begin any front stroke.

Level 6: Swimming & Skill Proficiency

(6-14 yrs.) Refines the strokes so students swim them with ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances. Class is designed with "menu" options that focus on preparing students to participate in more advanced courses.

Adult Swim Lessons

(15+ yrs.) Everyone can learn to swim. All skills taught.

Aquacise: Aerobic Water Exercise

(15+ yrs.) Water exercise class to help firm up arms and legs and increase circulatory endurance using a variety of movements.

Hydrofit: Muscle Toning & Fitness

(15+ yrs.) Exercise class for an invigorating water workout. Uses belts, ankle cuffs and Styrofoam barbells.

Private Swim Lessons

Private swim lessons for all ages. The fee is \$142 for eight 1/2-hour lessons.

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Lesson times to be arranged

Lifeguard Training Class

(15+ yrs.) Enrollees must be able to: (1) swim 500 yards continuously, demonstrating the correct use of the front crawl and breaststroke; (2) swim 20 yards, retrieve a 10 lb. brick and return it to the starting point; (3) provide own manuals and a pocket mask. Must take CFAS and CPRPR* at Red Cross and show certification on first day. Must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$85 (\$95 NR). Call Gerald Wesley or Zach Chronis, 661-723-6255 for times and information. *CPR for the Professional Rescuer.

Water Safety Instructor Class

(17+ yrs.) Upon successful completion, students are certified as Red Cross swim lesson instructors. Must provide own Red Cross manuals. Current certificate in Lifeguard Training desirable. Required Red Cross FIT course included. Approximately 40 hours of training. Must attend all classes – no exceptions. \$85 (\$95 NR). Call Gerald Wesley or Steven Reiman, 661-723-6255 for times and information.



Oasis Aquatics Swim Team

(5-18 yrs.) Oasis Aquatics is a United States Swimming affiliated year-round competitive swim team offering competitive training and swim meets. Visit www.oasisaquatics.org for more information.

Oasis Masters Swim Program

(18+ yrs.) Conditioning, swim skills, instruction, competitive events and ocean swimming. Call Tom Otto for fees and information at 661-946-7537 or 661-722-0585.

A.V. Special Olympics

Swimming opportunities for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Call Laura Mayo at 661-253-2121.

The "Dan Tran Invitational Swim Meet" will be held on Saturday, March 8 starting at 8 a.m. Contact Quartz Hill High School swim coach Mark Thibault at 661-478-3077 or call Eastside Pool at 661-723-6255.

Aquatics Class Schedule

The numbers listed under each time frame are the class codes to use when registering. **All classes held at Eastside Pool.**

Session 0: April 5 - May 31

Saturday (1x/week for 8 weeks) \$35 (\$40 NR).

Class Level	9 a.m.	9:40 a.m.	10:20 a.m.
Parent/Tot		7426	
Preschool	7432	7433	
Preschool 2	7435		
Level 1	7399		
Level 2	7406		
Level 3		7410	
Level 4			7414
Level 5			7418
Level 6			7422
Adult		7388	
Aquacise			7392

Session 7: March 25 - April 17

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$35 (\$40 NR).

Class Level	7 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Parent/Tot	7195			
Preschool	7198			
Preschool 2		7204		
Preschool 3	7207			
Level 1	7167	7168		
Level 2	7174			
Level 3		7178		
Level 4			7182	
Level 5			7186	
Level 6			7190	
Adult		7156		
Aquacise		7160		
Hydrofit				7163

Session 8: April 22 - May 15

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$35 (\$40 NR).

Class Level	7 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Parent/Tot	7428			
Preschool	7431			
Preschool 2		7437		
Preschool 3	7440			
Level 1	7402	7403		
Level 2	7408			
Level 3		7412		
Level 4			7416	
Level 5			7420	
Level 6			7424	
Adult		7389		
Aquacise		7393		
Hydrofit				7397

Session 9: May 20 - June 12

Tuesday/Thursday (2x/week for 4 weeks) \$35 (\$40 NR).

Class Level	7 p.m.	7:40 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Parent/Tot	7429			
Preschool	7434			
Preschool 2		7438		
Preschool 3	7441			
Level 1	7404	7405		
Level 2	7409			
Level 3		7413		
Level 4			7417	
Level 5			7421	
Level 6			7425	
Adult		7390		
Aquacise		7394		
Hydrofit				7398





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THE LANCASTER PERFORMING ARTS CENTER FOUNDATION

The Lancaster Performing Arts Center Foundation will host *Jukebox Saturday Night*, its 4th Annual Gala and Grand Auction, Saturday, June 7, 2014, at the Lancaster Performing Arts Center.

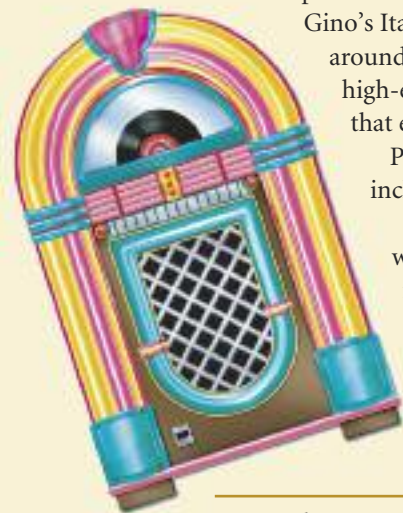
The event, themed around the fabulous 1950s, will feature a variety of delicious heavy hors d'oeuvres prepared by the University of Antelope Valley's Culinary Arts department and complimentary, top-shelf cocktails served by Gino's Italian Restaurant. Guests will rock around the clock with *The Wonderelles*, a high-energy 50s revue that will take us back to that era with our favorite oldies.

Promising to be one of the evening's highlights is the exciting grand auction featuring 30 fabulous packages including exotic vacation destinations, dining and entertainment packages and more.

Foundation President Lou Bozigian said, "Proceeds from this event will benefit the LPAC Foundation, which provides subsidy for educational programming, school outreaches, bus funding and ticket scholarships for local schools to attend performances at LPAC, as well as assistance for the senior community and special needs groups, and funding for facility enhancements to the Performing Arts Center."

Tickets for the *Jukebox Saturday Night* gala are \$100 per person and may be purchased online at www.lpac.org or at the LPAC box office by calling 661-723-5950. For more information on the gala and an updated list of grand auction items, please visit www.lpacf.org or contact Julie Secory at 661-723-6082 or jsecory@cityoflanasterca.org.

Jukebox Saturday Night



LPAC Foundation Board of Directors: Louis V. "Lou" Bozigian, President; R. Steven Derryberry, Vice President; Timothy W. Doerfler, Treasurer; Marilyn Norris, Secretary; and Directors, Inpamani Arul, M.D., David Friedman, Joyce Gonzales, Marco Johnson, John Porter, Ed.D., Todd Porter, Becky Smith and Mark E. Thompson.

PRIME DESERT WOODLAND PRESERVE

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March 8, 7 p.m. • April 5, 8 p.m. • May 17, 8:30 p.m. • June 14, 8:30 p.m.

Jeremy Amarant, Director of Palmdale School District's SAGE Planetarium, will teach you about the stars as he and Park Rangers lead visitors on a one-mile walk on the trails. Weather permitting, AV Astronomy Club members will have their telescopes for a closer look at the night sky.

BIRDS OF PREY PRESENTATION | Sat., March 15, 4 p.m. | Fee: \$3 (ages 3 & under free)

Master Falconers from Avian Entertainment will excite you with a presentation of live birds of prey featuring an eagle, hawk, falcon, owl or vulture. You will be thrilled by the amazing 100 mph free flight demonstration of a falcon.

FREE GUIDED TOURS | Sun., March 16 at 2:30 p.m. and Sat., April 12 at noon | Free

Park Rangers provide personal tours of the Prime Desert Woodland Preserve's beautiful trail system. Following the tour, enjoy the exhibits in the Interpretive Center. All tours are offered in Spanish and English.

BIRD WATCHING WALKS | Sat., March 22 and Sat., June 28, 8 a.m. | Free

Audubon member Vern Benhart and Park Rangers will lead us on an educational bird watching walk. The presentation begins in the Interpretive Center with a vast description of the Antelope Valley's birds and their habits then continues onto the trails of the preserve. Bring binoculars if you can.

PLANTS OF THE AV PRESENTATION | Sat., May 31, 1 p.m. | Free

Mark Bratten, a wildlife and environmental biologist at Edwards Air Force Base, will give a PowerPoint presentation on wildflowers commonly seen in the fields and roadsides of the Antelope Valley.

WILD ANIMAL PRESENTATION | Sat., June 21, 1 p.m. | Free

Mark Bratten, a wildlife and environmental biologist at Edwards Air Force Base, will give a presentation on native animals of the Antelope Valley with a mixture of live and mounted animals on display.



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(Avenue K-8 at 35th Street West)

Come visit the 100-acre Preserve, featuring nearly three miles of trails. The trails are open from 6 a.m. to sunset.

The Interpretive Center is open Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Group tours are available by calling the Preserve Ranger at 661-723-6230 or Gerald Wesley at 661-723-6257. Fees to attend presentations will be collected at the door of the Interpretive Center on the day of each presentation. All presentations and walks last approximately one hour. Presentations are free for children three years and under. Meet at the Interpretive Center at posted times for all group walks.

Parking and attendance are limited for events held in the Interpretive Center. No reservations are required.

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Western Hotel Museum

The Western Hotel Museum is located at 557 W. Lancaster Blvd. and is open every second and fourth Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

March 27 - April 27

The 29th Annual Antelope Valley Union High School District Exhibition

Showcasing the talents of local students from across the Antelope Valley and exhibited for the first time in the Main Gallery, join MOAH in honoring these burgeoning young artists who are pioneering the next generation of visual arts in our community.

Awards Reception: April 3, 6 - 8 p.m.



March 29 - June 8

Yi Kai: Paintings and Drawings

In celebration of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month in May, MOAH brings internationally renowned painter Yi Kai to the Antelope Valley. Yi Kai came from China to America to begin a new life with his wife and son. He soon became a US citizen, immersing himself in American culture. Occupying the entire second floor of the museum, Mr. Kai's richly textured and brightly colored paintings and drawings bridge these two cultures, layering symbols of freedom, materialism and the pursuit of individuality. His art offers a non-verbal language to promote unity, harmony and peace in the world.

Brad Howe: MAC Center Artist

Andrew Frieder: Selected Works

Open Reception: March 29, 4 - 6 p.m.

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